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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

MURREY HARDER WRITES THAT ACCORDING TO A HIGH EGYPTIAN SOURCE, SADAT WANTS TO INCREASE THE SCOPE OF THE "STEP-BY-STEP" DIPLOMACY. HE WOULD LIKE SIMULTANEOUS DISENGAGEMENTS OF MILITARY FORCES ON BOTH THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI FRONTS PRIOR TO A NEW GENEVA CONFERENCE. ON BOTH SIDES, THE INITIAL FORD-SADAT MEETING WAS CHARACTERIZED AS INSTANT FRIENDSHIP. (A-1)

WHILE APPEARING ON "MEET THE PRESS" YESTERDAY, JOHN CONNALLY SAID THAT THE U.S. MUST LEARN TO MAKE BETTER USE OF ITS TREMENDOUS ECONOMIC LEVERAGE AGAINST THE OIL-PRODUCING NATIONS. CONNALLY SAID THE SHAH KEEPS RAISING OIL PRICES AND WASHINGTON KEEPS GIVING HIM ALL THE WEAPONS AND TECHNICIANS HE ASKS FOR WITHOUT EXTRACTING ENOUGH IN RETURN. (A-2)

MIGUEL ACOSA REPORTS THAT THE SPANISH EXPECTED PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT TO SPAIN WOULD RESULT IN SOME DIPLOMATIC MOVEMENT IN THE DEADLOCKED TALKS TO RENEW THE SPANISH BASES AGREEMENT. A SPANISH OFFICIAL CAUTIONED THAT WHILE MR. FORD'S DISCUSSIONS WITH FRANCO HAD BEEN "WARM," SPAIN HAD NOT ABANDONED DEMANDS FOR UPGRADING U.S.-SPANISH MILITARY RELATIONS. (A-7)

PETER OSNOS NOTES THAT MOSCOW'S DISSIDENTS BELIEVE THAT THE STATE HAS ENDED ITS BRIEF SEASON OF TOLERANCE AND IS NOW TURNING THE SCREENS ON THEM IN A COORDINATED ATTACK ON NONCONFORMITY.

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THE KGB REPORTEDLY INDICATED TO ONE DISSIDENT THAT THE POLICE ARE PREFER TO ACT BECAUSE WESTERNERS HAVE GROWN BORED WITH THE DISSIDENTS. (A-18)

JACK ANDERSON'S COLUMN ON ARAB VIEWS OF PRESIDENT FORD IS BEING SENT SEPARATELY.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

FLORA LEWIS SAYS THAT AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN DIPLOMATS AND SENIOR OFFICIALS OF NATO SPOKE WITH A CERTAIN EXHILARATION OF WHAT THEY FELT WAS A RESURGENCE OF SOLIDARITY AND A REMARKABLY SUCCESSFUL ENCOUNTER. RENEWED COHERENCE IN THE ALLIANCE AS A WHOLE OVERRODE QUALMS ABOUT PERIPHERAL PROBLEMS. (1)

PHILIP SHABECOFF REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT FORD PRAISED PRESIDENT SADAT YESTERDAY FOR CREATING "OPPORTUNITIES" FOR PEACE AND APPEARED TO CRITICIZE ISRAEL AS TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO LEADERS BEGAN IN SALZBURG. THE SADAT-FORD TALKS WERE BELIEVED LIKELY TO PUT PRESSURE ON ISRAEL TO MAKE SOME CONCESSION. (1)

ACCORDING TO JUAN DE UNIS, THE CHIEF OF THE CHRISTIAN MILITIA FORCES OF FORMER LEBANESE PRESIDENT SHAMUN WAS KILLED TODAY DURING FIGHTING BETWEEN ARMED FACTIONS ON THE HIGHWAY BETWEEN BEIRUT AND SAIDA. (2)

HENRY GINIGER WRITES THAT CLOSER RELATIONS WITH AND EVEN MEMBERSHIP IN NATO ARE BELIEVED POSSIBLE UNDER A REGIME HEADED BY PRINCE JUAN CARLOS, WHO IS KNOWN TO BE ANXIOUS TO END SPAIN'S PRESENT ISOLATION. BUT UNTIL SUCH A CHANGE TAKES PLACE, THE U.S. IS HAVING TO DEAL WITH A GOVERNMENT THAT IS COMPLAINING OF ITS SECOND-CLASS INTERNATIONAL STATUS AND IS PUTTING DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY OF A NEW AGREEMENT ON BASES. WHILE WILLING TO GIVE SPAIN MILITARY AID, THE U.S. HAS REFUSED SECURITY GUARANTEES THAT IT ACCORDS ITS NATO PARTNERS. (2)

TERENCE SMITH STATES THAT ISRAELI PREMIER RABIN IS COMING UNDER STINGING CRITICISM FROM DOVISH SUPPORTERS FOR FAILING TO ARTICULATE A COMPREHENSIVE ISRAELI PROGRAM FOR PEACE WITH THE ARABS. (3)

CHRISTOPHER WREN REPORTS THAT PRAVDA TODAY ATTACKED DEFENSE SECRETARY SCHLESINGER AND ACCUSED HIM OF DELIBERATELY IGNORING HIS OWN GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF REDUCING TENSIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. IT SEEMED PROMPTED IN PARTICULAR BY A REPORT TO CONGRESS IN WHICH MR. SCHLESINGER ASSERTED THAT THE U.S. MIGHT BE FORCED TO RESPOND TO A CONVENTIONAL SOVIET-LED

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ATTACK ON WESTERN EUROPE BY USING TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON THE BATTLEFIELD AS THE ALTERNATIVE TO DEFEAT. (7)

ELLEN LENTZ SAYS THAT AFTER YEARS OF OFTEN VIOLENT PROTEST AGAINST THE U.S. AND THE AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM, A SEGMENT OF WEST GERMANY'S RADICAL LEFT HAS FOUND A NEW POLITICAL TARGET: THE SOVIET UNION. THE LEADERS OF THE PRO-PEKING COMMUNIST PARTY OF GERMANY SAY THEY HAVE SHIFTED NOT SIMPLY IN THE WAKE OF THE COLLAPSE OF THE AMERICAN POSITION IN INDOCHINA BUT AS A RESULT OF WHAT THEY VIEW AS A GROWING SOVIET THREAT TO WESTERN EUROPE'S INDEPENDENCE. (9)

DAVID ANDELMAN COMMENTS THAT THE FUTURE OF THE AMERICAN AID PROGRAM IN LAOS AND CONTINUED AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN THE CRITICAL FOREIGN EXCHANGE OPERATIONS FUND WILL BE THE CENTER OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE LAOTIAN GOVERNMENT, THE U.S. EMBASSY, AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE PHILIP HABIB, WHO ARRIVED IN VIENTIANE TODAY. (10)

DAVID BINDER REPORTS THAT WHILE DETENTE HAS INCREASED THE ABILITY OF THE KGB TO INFILTRATE WESTERN COUNTRIES, IT HAS ALSO GIVEN IT MORE WORK AT HOME KEEPING SURVEILLANCE OVER THE LARGER NUMBER OF FOREIGNERS MOVING AROUND THE SOVIET UNION. (14)

THE TIMES LEAD EDITORIAL SAYS THAT TWENTY MONTHS AFTER THE ARAB OIL EMBARGO AND A 400 PERCENT PRICE INCREASE ALERTED THE COUNTRY TO ITS VULNERABILITY, CONGRESSIONAL ACTION STILL IS AWAITED ON A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM TO LIMIT FUEL CONSUMPTION, INCREASE PRODUCTION, AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT TO STOCKPILE PETROLEUM AND RATION IT IN AN EMERGENCY. THESE CIRCUMSTANCES LEFT PRESIDENT FORD NO ALTERNATIVE LAST WEEK BUT TO GO AHEAD WITH HIS LONG-DELAYED STOPGAP PLAN FOR OIL CONSERVATION BY DOUBLING THE IMPORT FEE AND GIVING NOTICE OF GRADUAL PRICE DECONTROL FOR "OLD" WELLS. (24)

ANOTHER EDITORIAL STATES THAT IT IS TOO EARLY TO SPEAK OF A "BREAKTHROUGH" IN RESTORING NORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN GREECE AND TURKEY; BUT A GOOD START HAS BEEN MADE WITH THE AGREEMENT BY PREMIERS KARAMANLIS AND DEMIREL THAT THEIR PROBLEMS "MUST BE SOLVED PEACEFULLY." PRESIDENT FORD AND OTHERS ATTENDING THE NATO SUMMIT DESERVE CREDIT FOR BRINGING ABOUT IN BRUSSELS THIS OVERDUE ENCOUNTER -- THE FIRST PRIVATE TALK BETWEEN GREEK AND TURKISH PREMIERS SINCE 1967. (24)

WILLIAM SAFIRE CRITICIZES THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION ACCEPTING YOUR PROPOSAL TO DISCUSS COMMODITY PRICE SUPPORTS WITH CARTEL COUNTRIES IN ADDITION TO TALKS ON OIL. HE SAYS IT OPENS PANDORA'S BOX AND VIEWS THE MOVE AS UNWISE AND A FURTHER

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RETREAT FROM FREE MARKET ECONOMICS. (25)

I.F. STONE ANALYZES THE U.S. MILITARY ROLE IN KOREA AND CONCLUDES OUR CURRENT POLICY INVITES ANOTHER WAR ON THE ASIAN MAINLAND. HE STRESSES THAT WHILE OUR DEFENSE TREATY WITH SOUTH KOREA REQUIRES CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL BEFORE UNDERTAKING MILITARY ACTION, THE U.S. TROOP PRESENCE ON THE FRONT LINES MAKES AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IMMEDIATE IN ANY NEW CONFLICT. STONE URGES A COMPLETE REASSESSMENT OF AMERICAN MILITARY REQUIREMENTS THERE. (25)

THE BALTIMORE SUN

HENRY TREWHITT COVERS YESTERDAY'S ROUND OF TALKS WITH PRESIDENT SADAT. (A-1)

AP STATES THAT A SECRET INTELLIGENCE SURVEY SAYS THE U.S. IS "BEYOND THE PERIL POINT" IN LOSING CONTROL OF THE SEAS TO SOVIET NAVAL FORCES. ACCORDING TO ADMIRAL FLEET ADMIRAL ZIMMELT, THE STUDY EVALUATED THE VULNERABILITY OF THE U.S. AND ITS ALLIES TO THE GROWING SOVIET NAVAL MIGHT AND HAD CALLED FOR "A MASSIVE NATIONAL COMMITMENT TO RECOVER AMERICAN NAVAL PREDOMINANCE AND TO MEET OUR INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES." (A-1)

MICHAEL PARKS WRITES THAT A GROUP OF FIVE AMERICAN CONGRESSMEN COMPLETED A 10-DAY INVESTIGATION IN MOSCOW YESTERDAY OF SOVIET EMIGRATION PROCEDURES WITH THE HOPE THAT THEIR INQUIRY WILL HELP EASE SOVIET RESTRICTIONS ON EMIGRANTS EVENTUALLY. REPRESENTATIVE EILBERG, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION, CITIZENSHIP, AND INTERNATIONAL LAW, SAID THE STUDY WOULD BE VERY USEFUL IN CHECKING SOVIET ADHERENCE TO ANY NEW SOVIET COMPROMISE ON JEWISH EMIGRATION. (A-1)

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MATTHEW SEIDEN NOTES THAT WHILE THE DEATH OF CHIANG KAI-SHEK IN EARLY APRIL MARKED, IN A SYMBOLIC SENSE, THE END OF AN ERA FOR TAIWAN, THE PASSING OF THE 87-YEAR-OLD PRESIDENT HAD VIRTUALLY NO POLITICAL IMPACT AT ALL. (A-2)

ACCORDING TO THOMAS THOMPSON, IT IS BY NO MEANS CLEAR THAT TAIWAN IS SUCH AN IRRECONCILABLE PROBLEM BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND PEKING. ECONOMIC RELATIONS APPEAR TO BE ON SOLID GROUND AND THERE IS LITTLE REASON THAT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION AMENABLE TO ALL PARTIES' INTERESTS CANNOT BE WORKED OUT, SO LONG AS NOTHING AFFECTS "BUSINESS AS USUAL." THE SETBACKS OF FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON'S TRIP, PEKING'S ADMISSION TO THE UN, AND THE

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EXCHANGE OF LIAISON OFFICES HAVE BEEN WEATHERED ALREADY. TAI-
WAN HAS DONE WELL INDEED TRADING WITH STATES THAT NO LONGER
RECOGNIZE THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA. (A-10)

A SUN EDITORIAL ADDS THAT MANY FORMULAS MIGHT ACCOMMODATE
THE PRINCIPLE OF CHINA'S POLITICAL SOVEREIGNTY OVER TAIWAN
WITHOUT SACRIFICING TAIPEI'S ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL ACHIEVE-
MENTS. TAIWAN'S STRENGTH IS ITS VIGOROUS ECONOMY. IT IS NOT
IMPOSSIBLE TO IMAGINE TRANSITIONAL STEPS THAT WOULD MAKE
THAT ECONOMY A POSITIVE BENEFIT TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
CHINA. (A-10)

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